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Remarks

It is observed that the Examiner rejected claims 1-3 as the applicant's last proposed amendments would request further search and examination.

The Examiner considered claims 4-16 as being allowable provided that they are written in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Thus, the applicant has amended claim 1 in order to include all of the features of pending claim 4 and some of the features of pending claim 3.


Claim 4 has been cancelled.

In view of the above, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested and grant of the patent is kindly solicited.

It will be noted that a sincere effort has been made to positively respond to all of the points raised by the Examiner.

While it is believed that the amended claims properly define the present invention, applicant would be open to any suggestion the Examiner may have concerning different claim phraseology which, in the Examiner's opinion, more accurately defines the present invention.

Respectfully submitted,


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